Table 21 A. Help Expected When in Need by Social Characteristics: Households with Expectation of Help If Needed, Expect Help from Friends, Expect Help from Family, and Expect Help from Others: 1998

(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristics		Expect any			
		help if	Expect help	Expect help	Expect help
	Total	needed	from friends	from family	from others
	Households	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
All households					
Total	102,652	86.5	31.4	43.8	16.7
Age of householder					
15 to 29	12,686	89.4	32.2	46.3	12.9
30 to 44	34,628	86.2	29.8	39.4	13.9
45 to 64	33,549	84.1	30.0	40.6	16.8
65 or older	21,788	89.1	35.4	54.3	23.2
Sex of householder					
Male	56,448	86.4	32.2	43.2	16.8
Female	46,204	86.7	30.4	44.5	16.5
Race of householder					
White	86,272	87.4	32.7	45.0	17.0
Black	12,474	81.2	23.8	37.0	16.4
Other	3,906	83.9	25.5	37.8	10.7
Ethnicity of householder					
Hispanic	8,794	81.3	26.0	40.8	12.3
White non-Hispanic	78,219	88.0	33.3	45.3	17.5
Household structure					
Non-family alone	28,005	88.2	34.9	46.9	17.8
Non-family with others	3,647	85.3	32.4	36.5	11.2
Married, no children	27,345	87.0	33.3	47.4	19.3
Married with children	26,955	86.8	29.5	41.2	15.8
Unmarried, no children	5,804	85.8	28.7	44.5	16.4
Unmarried with children	10,896	80.9	23.0	35.0	11.2
Householder disability					
Disabled	9,720	80.0	24.6	37.5	15.2
Not disabled	92,932	87.2	32.1	44.4	16.8
Health insurance coverage					
Not insured	20,451	81.2	25.7	37.5	13.5
Insured	82,201	87.8	32.8	45.4	17.5
Housing tenure					
Home owner	68,632	87.8	33.4	46.0	18.6
Renter	34,020	83.9	27.3	39.3	12.8

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